

# MASSAGE THERAPY, CERTIFICATE OF TECHNOLOGY



## Admission

Graduates are required to pass a background check to receive a massage therapy license from the state of Texas.

In accordance with Texas House Bill 1508, the College informs all students in this program who may have a criminal background that a criminal history could keep graduates from being licensed by the state of Texas. Students with any questions about their background and licensure may speak with the Department Chair.

Specifically, certain circumstances prohibit people from becoming licensed massage therapists in the state of Texas. Students should review the following reasons for ineligibility for massage licensure as taken directly from the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) website.

### Sec. 455.152 Ineligibility for Licensure

(a) A person is not eligible for a license as a massage establishment, massage school, massage therapist, or massage therapy instructor if the person has been convicted of, entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to, or received a deferred adjudication for an offense involving trafficking of persons, an offense involving prostitution, or another sexual offense.

(b) A person convicted of a violation of this chapter is ineligible for a license as a massage establishment, massage school, massage therapist, or massage therapy instructor until the fifth anniversary of the date of conviction.